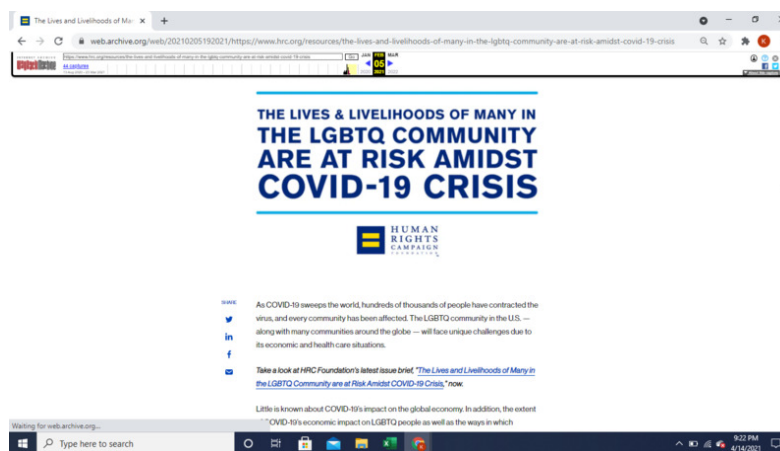


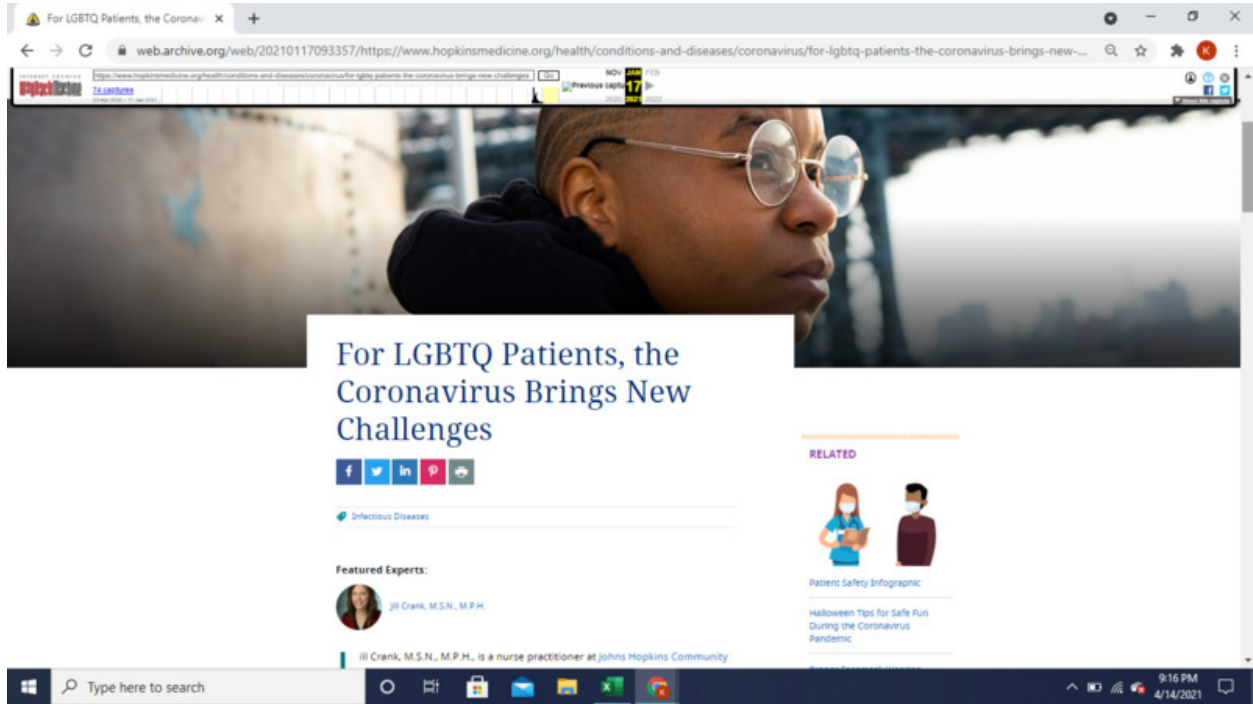
The Disparities of the Pandemic In The LGBTQ Community

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought to the forefront the inequalities that exist within certain marginalized communities in the United States. These marginalized groups have been impacted disproportionately economically, socially, and in other ways historically. It is important that we use this pandemic as a learning experience in order to make our world a more economically just world. We also need to work on the stigma attached to mental health and how it plagues minority, low-income, and other marginalized groups in higher numbers than their counterparts. The pandemic has brought to light the disparities that exist between different marginalized groups. The one marginalized group that I am a part of and which in turn has a daily relevance to me is the LGBTQ community. This group has been impacted by the pandemic in many ways from healthcare access, mental health, legislation, stigmas, discrimination, economic impacts, Social Justice concerns, higher unemployment, high depression rates, and more.

Through viewing stories and studies from the start of the COVID-19 pandemic the community as a whole has a higher rate of unemployment, higher rate of COVID-19 positivity, and more likely to have mental health issues like anxiety and depression. It is important for people who are impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic to seek out medical help no matter if they have insurance or not because not doing so can have dire consequences for you, your family, or your loved ones. I have seen that one positive aspect of the pandemic is that now with the new administration in Washington, DC there is more funding being placed in states and local health departments so that you can go talk to doctors and receive help when need be in order to get the help you need.



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